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Sadat writes Begin on talks

Israel dismisses expelled mayors from posts

TEL AVIV, May 19 (Agencies) — Israel's military government in the occupied West Bank formally "dismissed" two Arab mayors who were expelled following the May 2 ambush of Jewish settlers in Hebron, a military spokesman said here today.

Meanwhile, Egypt's ambassador to Israel, Mr. Saad Murtaga, met Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir in occupied Jerusalem, an Egyptian embassy spokesman said. Following the meeting, both men issued a statement saying they "hoped the talks would be resumed."

A foreign ministry spokesman would not say if Mr. Sadat's letter to Mr. Begin was discussed during the meeting. According to the Yediot Aharanot newspaper, Mr. Sadat's letter to Mr. Begin reiterated Egypt's opposition to Israeli settlements in the occupied territories and to Israel's "creating facts" in the territories and in Jerusalem.

Mr. Sadat also called on Israel to be more flexible in its demand that Israel should retain control of both external and internal security under the proposed autonomy scheme, the newspaper reported.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg, who heads Israel's negotiating team in the talks, sent a letter to Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali detailing Israel's justifications for settling the West Bank. According to Israel Radio, Mr. Burg claimed in the letter that the settlements are legal under international law, and said Israel would not consider freezing settlement building during the negotiations.

In Cairo today, President Sadat said all measures taken by Israel concerning Arab East Jerusalem, including a proposal before the Israeli Knesset to make Jerusalem its undivided capital, were illegal.

Mr. Sadat was addressing the first full meeting of the cabinet he formed last week with himself as premier. The meeting was nationally televised for the first time. "All measures taken concerning Arab Jerusalem are null and void. Jerusalem is part of the West Bank," he said today.

Mr. Sadat said Egypt was not speaking on behalf of the Pales-

tinians but was working to "eliminate the Palestinian people's suffering from the Israeli occupation." He said Jewish settlements in occupied Arab territories were illegal.

On domestic issues, Mr. Sadat told the cabinet he would not tolerate exploiting the abolition of martial law on May 14 to undermine Egypt's stability.

He said universities and schools should not be platforms for political and religious propaganda and called for the dissolution of Islamic and Christian groups at universities and schools.

He said mosques and churches must not be forums of political activities. Demonstrations are not to be organized without prior permission, he said.

Assad assails Camp David, warns local 'reactionaries'

DAMASCUS, May 19 (AP) — Syrian President Hafez Al Assad today made a verbal attack on the United States and the Camp David process and warned "reactionaries carrying out subversion" in Syria that they will pay dearly.

In a speech opening the international syndicates congress here, Mr. Assad charged that the United States was "allowing itself the forbidden while denying others what is legitimate."

"America sees that by flooding Israel with weapons — although it knows Israel's insistence on continuing its aggression — it is helping the cause of peace. And it sees in our efforts to erase the aggression against our land and our people a hostile act," Mr. Assad said. "The aggressiveness of American imperialism is more hostile than the aggressiveness of Israel," he said.

"American imperialism, which allowed itself to violate the territory of Cambodia and Vietnam and besiege Cuba and to plot against many countries, is forbidding the Palestinian people to exercise its legitimate rights in resisting invaders who occupy its territory," Mr. Assad added.

"If you ask the United States why it opposes the return of the Palestinians to their homeland, and why it objects to the creation of a Palestinian state, you will have no answer except that its policy fits with the expansionist purposes of Israel," he said.

Mr. Assad said his regime had taken "adequate measures to put a final end to the subversive activities of the reactionaries. They will pay dearly for their treason."

"We have increased our measures to hit at the foundation of the

Jordan condemns U.S. military action in Iran

Islamic conference eyes sanctions against countries moving embassies to Jerusalem

ISLAMABAD, May 19 (Agencies) — Islamic countries today prepared plans to break diplomatic relations with any country that opened an embassy in occupied Jerusalem, and for increased international pressure for a Palestinian homeland.

Plans also were formulated at the Islamic foreign ministers' conference to seek United Nations sanctions against Israel after the Israeli Knesset last week gave a first reading to a bill that would make Jerusalem its "eternal and undivided capital."

Conference spokesman Qasim Zuhairi said a broad response by Islamic countries to the Israeli move was worked out by the political committee of the 40-nation meeting here. It is expected to be approved before the conference ends on May 21.

Mr. Zuhairi said the committee had agreed to urge the conference to seek an immediate meeting of the U.N. Security Council to

declare the Israeli action void and impose sanctions on Israel.

The committee also called for an emergency meeting of the Islamic Conference to deal with the issue if Israel did not rescind its moves within three months.

"The annexation of Jerusalem... is a flagrant challenge to the aspirations and emotions of Muslim people," Mr. Zuhairi said. "We call upon all friendly people to oppose it." The committee said Muslim states should "sever relations with any nation that recognized Jerusalem as the capital of the Zionist entity or transfers its embassy to the holy city," he added.

Mr. Zuhairi said the political

committee also passed a resolution calling for a special meeting of the U.N. General Assembly to examine the whole Palestinian question.

It demanded a fresh denunciation of Egypt, which is suspended from the conference, for its peace agreement with Israel.

Jordan's delegation today submitted to the conference's political committee three draft resolutions.

The first calls on the Islamic conference Organisation to support a Jordanian sponsored resolution to be put before the Security Council calling for a condemnation of Israel's expulsion of three West Bank leaders and for the implementation of the U.N. resolution which asks Israel to rescind its deportation order.

The second asks the conference to support a Jordanian draft resolution to be submitted to the International Labour Organisation meeting in Geneva next month dealing with Israel's amendment of Jordanian labour law in force in the occupied West Bank.

The third urges the conference to support an Arab resolution submitted to the World Health Organisation (WHO) to transfer its regional office from Alexandria to Amman and asking the WHO to oppose an American request that the case be referred to the International Court of Justice for a legal opinion.

Speaking at the conference, Jordan's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Marwan Al Qasem said that the U.S. military action against Iran has increased the gravity of the situation and constituted "a clear threat to U.N. principles and blatant intervention in the internal affairs of an independent, sovereign and active member of the Islamic Conference Organisation."

He said that the conference should condemn any aggression against any Muslim country, whatever its source, and to call on the aggressors to bring their intervention to an end.

Mr. Qasem called for the condemnation of those who would enter into superpower-dominated alliances or offer military facilities or bases on their territory to the superpowers, whatever the pretext. He emphasised the responsibility of the countries of the region to defend themselves without help from outside.

Mr. Qasem said that the events in Afghanistan and the Soviet intervention there have transformed the countries in the region into an arena where the conflict between the superpowers was being acted out. In a veiled reference to the bid by the United States and its allies to rally Islamic countries against the Soviet move,

he said: "At a quick glance it is obvious to our countries and our peoples that these countries and their allies are keen on Islam and Muslims in an attempt whose aims and purposes are transparent although there are some in Egypt who supported and welcome it."

The use of force could complicate the problem in Iran and hinder efforts to solve it, Mr. Qasem said.

In a reference to U.S. support for Israel, he said Jordan has made known its position, which rejects foreign intervention in the internal affairs of other countries, especially if this emanates from or is supported by a superpower. Jordan finds no justification for distinctions among the ways in which the principle of non-intervention is violated, he added.

Mr. Qasem added "following the events in Afghanistan, it has become certain that some countries still believe that the world of which we constitute a considerable part is made up of areas of influence to be divided among them and that our peoples and states are at their disposal."

Mr. Qasem said that what is now happening in the West Bank overshadows other events in its importance. It is a most serious matter which requires that we reconsider our evaluation of what is happening there because of the absence of a unified stand by the Islamic countries which gives our enemy leverage against our steadfast people there.

Israel's actions and its disdain for the international community and U.N. resolutions emanate from the weakness of the Arab and Islamic stand, and division and preoccupations with minor conflicts. Israel's single-mindedness in implementing its goals is served by the divided stand of the Arab and Islamic worlds, just as it is served by the support of certain countries, the minister said.

He called for a firm and clear position on the Camp David accords and for total support for the inhabitants in the occupied territories in resisting the autonomy plan.

He said: Our countries should intensify their contacts and exercise their influence to force Israel to withdraw from the occupied Arab territories, including Jerusalem.

Iranian Foreign Minister Sadeg Qotbzadeh made another attack on the United States for its unsuccessful attempt to rescue the American hostages from Iran last month.

He made a conciliatory gesture to Europe promising that Iran would not retaliate against EEC countries taking military and economic sanctions against it over the hostage issue.

While urging the conference to condemn the United States, Mr. Qotbzadeh said it should also denounce the Soviet Union for its military intervention in Afghanistan.

U.S., Iran deny plan to release hostages

TEHRAN, May 19 (Agencies) — Both Iran and the United States today denied a French News Agency report that a plan to free the U.S. Tehran embassy hostages in three stages is being readied for submission to Iran's parliament on June 5.

A United Nations envoy, who will be in Tehran for talks with Iranian government officials, will not be dealing with the hostage issue, a foreign ministry spokesman said here.

"It is completely separate from that issue," he said, adding that the envoy, Syrian jurist Adib Daoudy, will simply consider "the Shah's and American crimes" in Iran.

Mr. Qotbzadeh has told Mr. Waldheim the U.N. envoy is not authorised to deal with "Iran-U.S. differences."

In other developments:

— America's European allies voted limited sanctions against Iran, reducing their trade by only 8 per cent.

— Iran Monday began what Tehran Radio described as the biggest joint military exercises since the overthrow of the Shah. President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr flew to the Gulf island of Abu Musa to supervise the exercises involving planes and warships.

The hostage freedom plan reported Sunday by Agence France Presse included the following steps:

The three senior diplomats held at the Iranian foreign ministry would be freed first. Forty of the 53 seized in the U.S. embassy in on Nov. 4 would be let go when the U.S. opened talks with Iran on the \$8 billion in Iranian assets President Carter has frozen. The last 10, suspected by their captors of being spies, would be freed when Iran and the U.S. sign a "peace and neutrality" treaty.

New sniping attacks in Beirut

Lebanon protests at U.N. over Israeli attacks

UNITED NATIONS, May 19 (R)

Lebanon today protested to the Security Council over "continuing acts of aggression by Israel" and served the right to call an urgent meeting of the council.

In a letter dated to Council president Ide Oummarou of Niger, Lebanese U.N. Representative Hassan Tuani said that, for the 11th week, Israel had been attacking Lebanon by air, sea and land. "Heavy artillery has been used against civilian targets; sea craft have been cruising off the Lebanese coast and have bombed the city of Tyre and the vicinity of Sidon; airborne commando operations have taken place which have resulted in civilian casualties and Israeli troops have, on land, conducted military action well inside Lebanese territory," the letter said.

Meanwhile, in Beirut, random sniping harassed civilian traffic on the Foad Chehab highway that connects Beirut's Christian and Muslim sectors, and witnesses reported two motorists were fatally hit on Monday. Red Cross men contacted the command of the Christian militias before moving into the stricken location to recover the two bodies.

Pedestrians led the Red Cross men to the two corpses which were removed without incident. But moments later, rooftop snipers from Christian-inhabited East Beirut sector opened up on a number of civilians, who died for shelter behind concrete struc-

tures.

Two men remained prone about 10 minutes and, when the shooting subsided, one of them sprang up and ran away. The second man stumbled and fell on his face, while a sniper resumed shooting without let-up.

Minutes later the Red Cross car returned, and the snipers ceased firing. The second man quickly took shelter behind the ambulance and was safe.

Meanwhile, overall Christian warlord Camille Chamoun conferred with Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss on security conditions in the country and on efforts under way to arrange a national detente between the country's 18 bickering religious sects. It was the first meeting between the men since they disagreed on detente and an army restructuring plan two years ago.

A bomb went off in an Iraqi transport company office in Beirut last night, causing damage to the building but no casualties, security sources said today.

The blast, in West Beirut, was the latest in a series of explosions involving Iraqi and Iranian establishments in Lebanon.

The Iraqi news agency (INA) accused Iranian "agents" of responsibility for the explosion.

It said the operation was "part of attacks by the racist, Persian regime and its agents on Iraqi offices and establishments outside Iraq."

WHO condemns Israel for actions against Arabs

GENEVA, May 19 (Agencies) — A World Health Organisation (WHO) meeting today condemned Israel for the inhuman treatment of Arab prisoners and detainees resulting in a deterioration of their health.

A committee of WHO's annual assembly voted 60-24, with 20 abstentions, in favour of an Arab-sponsored resolution which also said that the setting up of Israeli settlements in the occupied territories seriously damaged the health of the local Arab inhabitants.

Italy, speaking for the European Common Market countries, said the resolution did not reflect the findings of a three-member WHO group which visited the territories last month.

The resolution condemned the "inhuman practices" to which it said Arab prisoners and detainees were subject in Israeli jails. It also condemned Israel for its "continuous shelling of Palestine refugee housing settlements in southern Lebanon" and for the confiscation of Arab water sources and other resources for the purpose of establishing new Jewish settlements.

Earlier the Palestine Liberation Organisation said in a report to the committee that detainees received food containing only 800

calories a day, compared with the normal requirement of 2,500 calories.

The resolution renewed the work of the WHO expert group for a year and made recommendations for improving the health of the inhabitants of the occupied territories.

The resolution is likely to be adopted by a full session of the 151-member WHO assembly.

Israel said the resolution was part of the unrelenting warfare against the Zionist state.



ism does not wish to see us progress. But they will never succeed in subjugating us," he said.

Mr. Assad criticised the Camp David accords, saying: "now they (the U.S.) see and the whole world sees that what they achieved at Camp David was not peace. It was only to bind (Egyptian President Anwar) Sadat to their wheels."

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Arab Insurance Federation emphasises cooperation

By Norah Barger
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, May 19 — Increasing cooperation among Arab insurance companies and lessening dependence on outside reinsurers were the main themes of the 13th General Assembly of the Arab Insurance Federation as it opened here today.

Over 250 insurance company representatives from the 19 Arab League countries and an equal number of non-Arab countries are attending the biennial meeting being hosted by the Jordan Insurance Association (JIA).

JIA chairman Ahmad Abdul Khaliq, who is also the director general of the Jordan Insurance Company, told the Jordan Times: "One of the main topics of discussion will be cooperation among the Arab insurance companies in pooling fire, marine and aviation insurance risks. We would like to increase the capacity of Arab insurance companies to insure and reinsure as much as possible among themselves — on the basis of compulsory reinsurance treaties — before seeking other markets (outside the Arab World)."

An insurance company reinsures when it transfers to another insurance company all or part of a liability assumed in covering a risk. There are no Arab companies specialised in reinsurance.

Currently the giant British underwriting firm, Lloyd's of London, dominates the massive and lucrative Arab reinsurance market. Last year it enraged Arab financiers and governments by setting a war risk premium on the Gulf, Kuwait, Libya and the United Arab Emirates responded this year by founding a \$3 billion Arab reinsurance company. They have said they will pay five per cent of the capital and are now seeking other subscribers.

The large number of foreign observers — almost half of the representatives — testifies to their confidence that such an Arab reinsurance company will not edge out

foreign ones in the foreseeable future but may break Lloyd's monopoly of the Arab market.

"I'm here to make contacts," said an observer from an Argentinian insurance firm. "We want to expand our markets all over the world, particularly in the Middle East."

Other representatives come from places as diverse as the U.S., the USSR, Nigeria, Finland, Greece, Japan and Yugoslavia. Significantly, the largest delegation from any Arab or non-Arab country is from the United Kingdom. Only representatives of Arab insurance companies have the status of participants.

The four-day assembly is being held under the patronage of His Highness Crown Prince Hassan. In his opening speech he said: "It is high time we lessened our need for foreign participation in insurance. I am particularly pleased with the entry of Arab countries into reinsurance. This is an important new field for the realisation of what our national economies can provide in the way of specialised financial services."

Urging Arab economic cooperation, he stressed its application in overcoming the shortage of data and information in insurance and other economic activities. He said they should be provided by linking together the efforts of complementary sectors. He also stressed the need for dialogue and sharing of research among Arab companies.

Since insurance companies are new institutions in the Arab World and the market is vast, he pointed out, the level of competence in their work must be stressed. He suggested that the federation draw up a code of conduct for insurance companies.

Exports to Arab states up 31 per cent in 1979

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — Jordan's exports to Arab states dur-

ing 1979 amounted to JD 55.6 million, compared with JD 42.6 million in the previous year, according to figures released by the Statistics Department. This marked an annual increase of 31 per cent.

Jordan's imports from Arab states last year amounted to JD 110.2 million, as against JD 86.6 million in 1978. This is an increase of 13 per cent.

Total Jordanian exports last year amounted to JD 82.6 million, an increase of 28.8 per cent from JD 64.1 million in 1978. The Arab World accounted for 67 per cent of the total of Jordan's export trade in 1979, compared with 66 per cent in 1978.

Jordan's total imports in 1979 cost JD 585.6 million, of which 18 per cent came from Arab countries. Imports in 1979 were 27.6 per cent above 1978's figure JD 458.9 million.

Municipality announces anti-stray project; warns of danger to pets

AMMAN, May 19 (JT) — Amman Municipality today announced that it is mounting an intensive campaign to cut down on the number of stray dogs in the city.

A notice distributed by the municipality requested pet owners to keep their animals in their homes or their yards, as the campaign meant they might be poisoned or shot.

The violent world of 'Eli Hazeev'

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article, originally written for The Washington Post, is reprinted from the Arab News in Jeddah.

By William Claiborne

HEBRON — The violent world of Eli Hazeev stretched from the jungles of Vietnam to the motorcycle gangs of Washington to the West Bank of the Jordan River, and ended two weeks ago in a volley of Arab machine-gun fire in this Palestinian city.

When he went to Vietnam, where he was badly wounded, he was James Eli Mahon Jr. When he was arrested in the shotgun slaying of a fellow member of a Washington motorcycle gang — a charge that was later dropped — he was known as "Crazy Jim." When he arrived in Israel seven years ago, he called himself Eli Hazeev — a combination of his own middle name and a common Hebrew surname meaning "The Wolf."

Hazeev was born a Christian but he embraced Judaism with a fervour rivalled only by his passion to be a fighting man. He combined his two obsessions to create for himself a troubled odyssey that took him through the armies of two countries, half a dozen Israeli jails, the shrill life of an extreme ultranationalist and finally to a grave in this tense Arab city.

Pasted to the door of Hazeev's walkup apartment in Kiryat Arba, the controversial Jewish settlement near Hebron, are two brightly coloured signs, one an army-issue placard warning "Frontier Ahead," the other bearing the slogan of the extremist Jewish Defence League: "Never Again."

The signs are a microcosm of Hazeev's life from his birth 32 years ago in New York until his death in a narrow Hebron street, one of six Jewish victims of the worst Arab attack on Jews since Israel occupied the West Bank in 1967.

In his turbulent life, Hazeev was a sniper in the U.S. and Israeli armies, was arrested in connection with a shadowy plot to assassinate a Palestine Liberation Organisation official abroad, served eight months in jail for terrorising Arabs and, more recently, was the object of a vast air search while hiking in the West Bank with two women.

Celebrity

He became something of a celebrity to Israelis for extremist adventures that often put his name in the newspapers. He was admired by mystics who believe that Jews have a right to all the land that in biblical times was Palestine, including the present West Bank.

In Vietnam, Hazeev boasted he was "the point man on the squads which went into underground tunnels, looking for the Viet Cong," said one former Virginia neighbour. "He said he liked going one-on-one with Charlie (Viet Cong soldiers)."

He was wounded four times, but "every time he got shot he volunteered to go back," another neighbour said. "The Vietnam war affected him. It gave him a feeling that his place in life was to be a soldier and a fighter. He was always the fighter," said Jehoshua Adler, Hazeev's roommate at Kiryat Arba.

For Hazeev, the fighting spirit came early, on U.S. military bases where his father, retired Air Force Col. James E. Mahon, served. Mahon, who now lives in Alexandria, (Virginia), came here for the burial of his son.

The family lived in a modest house at 494 W. Taylor Run Parkway, in the Clover section of Alexandria. Most of the original residents of the 22-year old subdivision are retired military officers.

His father is a "quiet man who liked to hunt and fish, and kept an extensive gun collection in the living room. On one wall were stuffed heads of animals he had shot in Germany during a previous tour of duty," one Alexandria neighbour said.

Hazeev, born Oct. 19, 1947, was a slender, straw-haired youth remembered as liking guns and motorcycles. An Alexandria neighbour, Jim Statler, recalls him as having both feet on the ground. "If it hadn't been for Vietnam he would have been an intellectual."

Moody

Other neighbours recall him as "moody... after the war he would be quiet while you talked, then all of a sudden take off on a tangent. He believed he was fighting for freedom. He wanted to kill all the Communists he could," one woman said.

He attended the now-defunct Edwards Military Institute, in Salem, N.C., before enrolling for one summer school semester at the Johns Hopkins University, in Baltimore, in 1968, the university records show. His stated field was pre-med, but he dropped out before completing the course, a school source said.

After Vietnam, Hazeev — then still he was arrested on Jan. 16, 1970, for alleged gunning to death in self-defence a fellow member of the Vipers motorcycle gang, District of Columbia police reported. The incident occurred "crash pad" at 1801 Newton St. N.W. His name in the gang was "Crazy Jim."

Mahon was first charged with second murder, but the charge was apparently reduced to possession of a prohibited weapon, which was dropped, on Dec. 15, 1970, according to records.

Vietnam had done something to Hazeev's friends here and in Virginia said. He served tours with a sniper unit of the 101st Air Division and sustained serious wounds. He was blown off. He had scars from napalm and a wound from a bullet that punctured his chest and nearly killed him. His teeth were shattered by a grenade.

Discouraged

He left discouraged by the war itself, his mates said. "He believed the Communists be stopped, but felt this was the wrong place. He was fighting for a good cause, but in wrong circumstances," said another roomer, Baruch Adler, Jehoshua's brother.

Hazeev's religion was deeply felt, according to his friends, and its roots seemed to lie in his rations from the war.

"He felt he had to find some true ideal. He was always interested in Jewish history, wars, the terrorism. He was overcome emotionally by the 1973, and the fighting inspired him again," Jehoshua Adler said.

In early 1974, Hazeev obtained a U.S. passport under his new Hebrew name, came to Israel converted to Judaism, almost immediately attempting to join the Israeli army.

Hundreds of American veterans have done the same thing when war has threatened Israel virtually all of them have been Jewish and identity with (Israel) has been lifelong. Hazeev could scarcely have been dissatisfied from the rest.

A friend from Hazeev's days in an Israeli Hebrew language course recalled, "He was a fierce Jewish fighter, with the old-time view what it's like to be Jewish. He was feared, fierce looking."

Because of his war injuries, the Israeli army first rejected Hazeev, but he persisted and joined an infantry brigade. He was in the Maron Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon. After discharge, and a broken marriage to an Arab woman, he began to sour for Hazeev.

A year ago, he was arrested in Tel Aviv's Gurion Airport and accused of planning a PLO attack on the United States to assassinate a PLO official who was touring college campuses. In Hazeev's luggage was a disguise, including an Arab dress, his roommates said. Hazeev told them "He was on his way to do it. He was going to the weapon in the States, and I personally would have been a great thing," said Jehoshua Adler, who is 21 and an avowed Zionist.

Hazeev, the Adler brothers are former Amman and followers of Rabbi Meir Kahane's ultra Jewish Defence League. After a month in jail, Hazeev was released without trial and moved to Kiryat Arba, where 4,000 settlers include many members of ultranationalist settlement movement, Emonim.

Never satisfied

But his friends say Hazeev was never satisfied by the Jewish Defence League or Gush Emunim. "He was a freelancer. He was active in all groups, but felt none were radical enough," Jehoshua Adler.

Last year, a group of armed vigilantes broke into several Arab homes in Hebron and beat the residents, and again Hazeev was arrested. Time he was convicted and served eight months in jail.

"His ideals came before anything — even law," Jehoshua Adler added.

Earlier this year, Hazeev was arrested in connection with a window-smashing spree in Hala in the West Bank. Last month, he and two women were reported lost in the desert but when a search found them, Hazeev said he was not in danger and he offered to re-enlist in the army half pay to cover the expense of the search.

On May 2, Hazeev began his day as usual with a.m. prayers. That evening he walked with a group of Jewish settlers to the tomb of the Patriarch From there, they walked to the former Jewish Hadassah clinic to visit settlers who have been conducting a sit-in for a year. As they approach the Hadassah building, they were caught in a crossfire from Palestinian gunmen, and grenades exploded. Friends say Hazeev frantically tried, using his M16 rifle and lunged toward one of the gunmen before falling in a pool of blood.

We've been here before

WITH LESS than a week left until the original deadline for the Egyptian-Israeli talks on Palestinian "autonomy" — and with those talks once again in suspended animation — we must begin looking anew at the position of the Palestinians and the disposition of the Arab territories, the 13th anniversary of whose occupation is also approaching soon.

Moves are afoot at the United Nations for a special General Assembly session on Palestinian national rights, as well as for an emergency Security Council meeting to try and stem the rising tide of official Israeli repression against the Palestinians in the occupied territories. A European peace initiative seems likewise in the offing, following the vote by the Council of Europe's parliamentary assembly in Strasbourg a month ago in favour of Palestinian rights to self-determination. Countries outside Europe, including the Islamic states and Asian nations such as Japan and South Korea, are busy reappraising and stiffening their positions on the Israeli occupation.

The Palestinians themselves are steadily hardening their resistance with the inevitable petering out of the Camp David process very much in view. The Arab states will soon be called upon, perhaps in an emergency summit, to redouble their support for that resistance.

Clearly, all this activity comes none too soon. In fact, it may well be almost too late. For the Israelis — officially and unofficially — are currently engaged in the most deliberately provocative harassment and terrorisation of the indigenous Arab occupants of Palestine since the 1967 occupation itself. The Israeli government's crackdown on Arab discontent is seen chiefly in such measures as the expulsion of the Hebron area community leaders and the killing, injury and arrest of student protesters. Beyond those repressive measures, and in open defiance of both international law and world public opinion, the Israelis are pressing ahead with Jewish settlement in the West Bank — both in the short-term, as in the authorisation of settlement in the new Lot Eliezer, which gives the Jewish settler the right to build a Jewish village in the West Bank, and in the cabinet's approval of the World Zionist Organisation's settlement master-plan, providing for a quadrupling of the Jewish population of the West Bank by 1983. As public opinion all over the world begins to turn against Israel for its provocative and aggressive policies in the West Bank and Jerusalem, the Israelis defy that opinion with the tabling of a bill in the Knesset "legalising" the wholesale annexation of Jerusalem.

Such irrational behaviour by the Israelis plays into the hands of the fanatical Jewish extremists who now pose the greatest threat not only to the lives and welfare of the Arabs in occupied Palestine, but to the Begin regime itself. The Gush Emunim settlers carry on their illegal activity with the help and protection of elements within the government. The Kach group fanatics of Rabbi Meir Kahane, also based at Kiryat Arba near Hebron, plot a new holocaust against the Arab inhabitants of Palestine. Even the Israeli authorities have felt constrained to put Kahane in detention under the emergency measures they usually apply only against Arabs: police sources have said the rabbi and his followers were plotting a "horrible crime", and his followers, like the pathetic figure profiled elsewhere on this page today, no doubt still are.

We would not be the first to note the shocking parallels between the actions of the Israelis against the Arabs today and those of the Nazis against the Jews on the eve of World War II. The West Bank even has had its Kristallnacht, in the form of the breaking by Jewish extremists of the windows of Arab-owned cars in Halhoul and Ramallah. That should be a sufficiently chilling warning to any humane person with a knowledge of history as to what is really going on here. It is particularly up to those who provide the Israelis with the means to do these things to look closely at the true measure of "security" and "peace" which their aid and their diplomacy are creating.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: His Majesty King Hussein's visit to Baghdad represents a new and significant stage in the unified Arab movement towards a common stand in the face of the Zionist challenge.

The talks between King Hussein and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein dealt in particular with the tragic conditions under which the inhabitants of the occupied territories live, and with the enemy's plans to force our people from their land and impose the treacherous formula drawn up by the Camp David parties.

Iraqi stands in the forefront of the Arab countries who believe in the fundamental role Jordan plays at this critical stage of the conflict, and who realise the importance of giving all possible assistance to enable this country with limited resources to play its role and achieve its national and pan-Arab goals.

We believe that Iraq's pioneering stance should be a model of pan-Arab behaviour — in which theoretical stands must be identical with practice at all levels. It is a model that should be copied and become the basis of the joint Arab action which our nation is trying to formulate.

AL DUSTOUR: It seems that Europe has decided to take a part in the waiting game practised by Presidents Carter and Sadat.

This means it has frozen all activity relating to the Middle East until the end of the American elections. What is also clear is that Europe has given in to the American pressure exerted by Secretary of State Edmund Muskie during the recent Brussels conference in an attempt to make Europe stop talking about new Middle East initiatives pending the result of the local autonomy negotiations. If these negotiations fail, Europe is requested to wait until after the presidential elections.

The Arab countries, who have rejected the Camp David accords and placed their hopes in a European move that would take the initiative from Washington, are now called upon to analyse the information that came from the Naples conference.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Poster and Painting Exhibition

The Jordanian Artists' Association presents an exhibition of posters and paintings about Palestine, under the patronage of the Ministry of Culture and Youth. The exhibition is open 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. at the Artists' Association Exhibition Hall, across the street from the French Cultural Centre in Jabal Luweibdeh.

Mosaic and Ceramics Exhibition

A mosaic and ceramics exhibition of the work of Mr. Mohammad Al Sayed is being presented at the Art Gallery of the Ministry of Culture, in Shmeisani. Visiting hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

Photography Exhibition

An exhibition of photography of Jordan will be mounted today under the patronage of Dr. Muwaffaq Al Fawwaz, the minister of tourism and antiquities. The exhibition, sponsored by the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities in cooperation with the French Cultural Centre and Air France, will open at 6 p.m. Prizes will be presented.

Film

The Goethe Institute presents a film by Peter Beauvais entitled "Deutschstunde" (1971), based on the novel by Roman von Siegfried Lenz and starring Wolfgang Butner, Arno Assmann and Edda Seppel. The film, in black and white, starts at 8 p.m. Part II will be presented the following day, May 21, at the same time.

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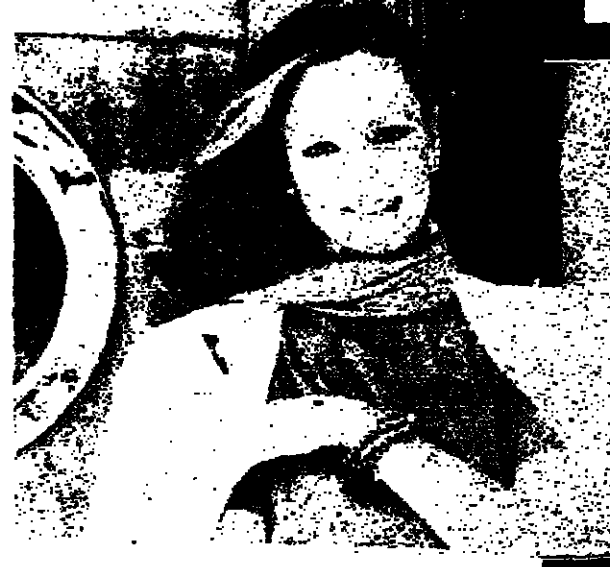
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Local News Briefs

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein today sent a message to President Chadli Ben Jeddil of Algeria dealing with Arab national developments. The message was carried by Minister Hassan Ibrahim, who left for Algiers today. He said he would hold talks with Algerian leaders on ways to strengthen Arab cooperation.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein returned to Amman at noon yesterday at the end of a two-day visit to Baghdad. The King met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to review issues of mutual interest. They also discussed comprehensive cooperation between the Arab states in the light of the Baghdad and Tunis agreements, and ways to expand cooperation between Iraq and Jordan. Soon after King Hussein's return the cabinet heard a report on the outcome of his visit from the Prime Minister, Sharif Hamid Sharaf. The prime minister also reported on the outcome of a visit to Jordan last week by the Kuwaiti heir apparent and Minister, Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Sabah.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein today sent a message of congratulations to Austria's President, Dr. Rudolf Kirchschläger, on his re-election for a new term in office. He expressed his wish for stronger ties of friendship with Austria.

AMMAN, May 19 (JT) — Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Qais Al Zawawi arrived here today. He will meet with a number of Jordanian government officials. Mr. Zawawi met today with Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, to review the current East and current Arab affairs. His Majesty King Hussein was accompanied by Mr. Zawawi today at the Royal Court.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The Director of the Jordan New Service, Mr. Yousef Abu Leil, left for Vienna yesterday to take part in a conference of Arab and European news agencies which is being held in Vienna today. During the two-day meeting, participants are expected to discuss modes of cooperation between Arab and European news agencies in the context of the Euro-Arab dialogue.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — A Jordanian National Olympic Committee was formed yesterday, chaired by Minister of Culture and Sports, Mr. Taher Hikmat. The 10-member committee includes the Minister of Education, the Mayor of Amman, the Director of the Public Security Directorate and representatives of the University of Jordan, Yarmouk University as well as of sports federations in the country.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The Jordanian-Palestinian joint committee for supporting the steadfastness of the people in the occupied territories will hold a meeting late this month, it was announced yesterday. The committee will discuss a number of subjects in connection with its work of extending assistance to the Palestinian people under occupation.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The cabinet yesterday formed Jordan's delegation to the International Labour Organisation meeting to be held in Geneva on June 4. The delegation will be led by Minister of Labour, Mr. Omar Nabulsi.



Two West Bank mayors expelled by Israel three weeks ago, Mr. Hazeev and Mr. Qawasm of Hebron (centre in dark suit) and Mr. Mohamud Milhem of Halhoul (right) are shown here at a New York rally. They are Sunday commemorating the birthday of the late American President John F. Kennedy. The two men spoke at the rally, staged by the Black United Front. They are in New York to demand Israel's withdrawal from the occupied territories. See story on page 1. (AP wirephoto)

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AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The Ministry of Education will open summer schools for a period of six weeks during the summer vacation this year, a ministry spokesman announced yesterday. He said students of all ages and classes can enrol at the summer schools to study a variety of subjects for a fee of JD 10. Summer schools will be in session from June 21 until July 3, and will admit students from government, UNRWA and private schools in the country in addition to those who for some reason have interrupted their education and now wish to take it up again, he said. In addition to normal lessons, the students will participate in extra-curricular activities, the spokesman added.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The cabinet yesterday appointed Mr. Ghaleb Barakat, former minister of tourism, Jordan's permanent representative at the U.N. headquarters in Geneva.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — Jordan will take part in an international flower exhibition to open in Damascus May 25. A spokesman for the Ministry of Tourism, which will be in charge of the Jordanian pavilion, said various types of Jordanian flowers and house plants will be displayed at the exhibition.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — A printing press and a carpentry shop in Amman were closed today by orders of the Civil Defence Department because they were found to have unsanitary conditions. The department appealed to all commercial establishments to heed civil defence regulations concerning sanitary requirements so as to avoid such measures by the authorities.

AMMAN, May 19 (JT) — A total of nine persons were killed and 26 injured in a variety of incidents that occurred around the country over the past 48 hours. A spokesman for the Public Security Directorate said most of the casualties were the result of 10 road accidents. One of these accidents occurred on the Jerash-Irbid road when a rock that had caught in the rear wheel of a lorry suddenly flew off at a road bend and hit the following taxi cab, causing the death of its driver and injuring the five passengers. A family of five persons was yesterday admitted to the Jerash government hospital with food poisoning. A five-year-old girl was taken to hospital in Amman after falling into a water well within her house's compound, but was declared dead on arrival. A 25-year-old woman was admitted to the University of Jordan hospital after swallowing a big dosage of Valium in a suicide attempt. Her condition was described as stable.

AMMAN, May 19 (JNA) — The military governor yesterday endorsed sentences passed by the military court on 36 merchants for violating Ministry of Supply regulations. They will be required either to pay a JD 20 fine or to be imprisoned for 40 days.

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Marine ecology seminar opens

AMMAN, May 19 (JT) — A four-day conference on marine ecology — a subject of considerable concern to Jordan with the expansion of Aqaba and its subsequent pollution problems — was opened here today by the Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment, Dr. Jamal Sha'er. The conference, which has been organised by the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation (ALECSO) in cooperation with

the University of Yarmouk, is being held at the Yarmouk University liaison office.

Experts from most countries in the Arab World, particularly those bordering on the Red Sea, have gathered to discuss a number of problems concerning the sea, which will be dealt with more efficiently once an Arab council to oversee and coordinate studies on marine ecology has been established. One of the aims of this conference is to finalise the establish-

ment of this council.

The case of Aqaba was cited by all the speakers at today's opening. Dr. Sha'er mentioned that the Red Sea was of particular importance to Jordan because of Aqaba and the extended coastline acquired from Saudi Arabia.

Stressing the importance of cooperation between Arab states to keep the waters clean and healthy, Dr. Sha'er explained how Jordan's experience over the last 25 years will be very useful in shaping future cooperation. He mentioned that the role of the recently founded Department of the Environment in his ministry is of vital importance in controlling

the pollution of Jordan's coastline, which is now under threat from shipping, industry, and tourism.

The president of Yarmouk University, Dr. Adnan Badran, who is a member of the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature and whose university has a special environmental studies course, also gave a speech underlining Jordan's efforts to curb pollution and the need for future coordination between the Arab States. Speaking on behalf of ALECSO was Dr. Mohammad Mahmoud Rifai. Among the participants in the opening session was the Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Qasem Rimawi.



From left to right: Dr. Qasem Al Rimawi, Dr. Jamal Sha'er and Dr. Adnan Badran.

Dr. Tal visits Syrian information centres

DAMASCUS, May 19 (JNA) — Jordan's Minister of Information, Dr. Sa'id Tal visited here today the Arab information training centre and the headquarters of the Syrian News Agency, and was briefed on the two institutions' activities.

Dr. Tal yesterday was received by Syria's Prime Minister, Dr. Abdul Raouf Al Kasm, and later

held a meeting with Syrian Minister of Information Ahmad Iskandar to discuss means of strengthening Jordanian-Syrian cooperation in information projects.

At a reception held in his honour by Jordan's ambassador in Damascus, Dr. Tal spoke about the importance of coordinating Jordanian and Syrian efforts in face of the threat of Zionism.

TODAY'S WEATHER

It will continue to be warm, with some medium and high clouds. Winds will be southeasterly moderate. In Aqaba, it will be dusty, with southerly moderate winds and rough seas.

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Iran pegs rial to SDR

TEHRAN, May 19 (R) -- Iran yesterday announced it was cutting the link between its currency and the dollar, and would instead peg it to the Special Drawing Right (SDR). Central Bank Governor Ali Reza Nobari, revealing the plans to the Iranian press, did not say at what level the Iranian rial will be set against the SDR, a basket of 16 major currencies set by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

The move, which had been expected for many months, will be effective from May 22.

The rial has been fixed at an official rate of 70.35/70.60 to the dollar since late 1978 and its official rates against other currencies have been set in line with the dollar rate. But on Tehran's unofficial exchange market, the dollar at present buys over 130 rials and other currencies are also well above their official rates.

Mr. Nobari said the Central Bank will announce rates for the rial against 14 major trading currencies on the basis of SDR rates against them published daily by the IMF, the official Pars News Agency reported.

The amount of Iran's trade done in dollars has dropped to about 10 per cent of the total from 75 per cent in the period up to last November, when restrictions were placed on purchases of dollars by Iranian banks, Mr. Nobari said.

The rial was pegged to the SDR from February 1975 at a central rate of 82.2425 rials per SDR, but as the Iranian authorities tried to keep a stable rate against a weakening dollar, the Iranian cur-

rency moved progressively further from its central rate until the SDR pegging was finally abandoned.

Mr. Nobari also said that Iran's foreign exchange reserves now total over \$15 billion. He said about 30 per cent of the total were in Europe, both inside and outside the EEC, and that 30 per cent were in safe places outside Europe "and are safe from any hostile action against Iran."

Meanwhile, Iran's oil ministry has told airlines to pay for refueling at Tehran's Mehrabad airport in cash within 48 hours of tanking up. Western airline representatives said yesterday.

The requirement has been introduced gradually over the last few weeks with the reluctant agreement of the airlines. The Iranian authorities have set a May 21 deadline for all airlines to conform to the new system. A senior NIOC official at Mehrabad confirmed the 48-hour rule, saying it applied also to Iran's two civilian airlines, the national carrier Iranair and the domestic airline Pars Air.

The airline representatives said the size of the deposit depended on the number of weekly flights each airline ran to Tehran. British Airways, which flies three times weekly to Iran, said it had been asked for a deposit equivalent to six refuelling stops. One airline manager, who asked not to be identified, said the oil ministry had insisted on the new payment system "because of the total disorganisation of their accounting system."

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP) -- Turkey's efforts to develop hydropower potential in the Euphrates Basin project will be assisted by a loan of \$120 million from the World Bank. Announcing this today, the World Bank said the project should add some 1,800 megawatts of power to the country's power system.

In addition to the World Bank loan, Italy will provide \$20 million, the European Investment Bank has agreed in principle to provide \$110 million and Abu Dhabi has indicated its intention to provide \$26 million, the announcement said.

"The \$1,160.4 million project will help meet the growing power demand in Turkey," the World Bank said. "Together with the existing Keban dam, the project will result in a better regulation of Euphrates river-flows, thereby benefiting power and irrigation projects downstream."

Meanwhile, the International Development Association (IDA), an affiliate of the World Bank, announced today the approval of a \$40 million credit to Pakistan for industrial development.

The IDA said the credit will go to the Pakistan Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation to help finance the foreign exchange cost of industrial projects carried out by private enterprises in the country.

This IDA credit -- the 11th lending operation for the investment corporation from IDA and the World Bank -- brings total lending to the corporation to \$273 million, the announcement said.

The IDA has also approved a \$40 million credit to Sudan for an

irrigation project. The project is intended to rehabilitate an irrigation project at New Haifa which is expected to increase yields of cotton and groundnuts. The credit will provide machinery, equip-

ment and facilities necessary for rehabilitating the scheme.

Another \$30 million credit to help finance a telecommunications project in Sri Lanka was also approved by IDA

today. IDA said replacement and expansion of telecommunications

facilities are needed in urban areas to meet part of the unsatisfied demand and to relieve congestion.

AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

Name of Company	Par Value	Number Traded	High	Low	Closing Price
Jordan Pipes Manufacturing Co.	JD 10,000	320	14,200	14,000	14,200
Jordan Dairy Co.	JD 1,000	650	1,360	1,360	1,360
Islamic Bank	JD 1,000	45,847	1,760	1,760	1,760
Bank of Jordan	JD 5,000	153	12,500	12,500	12,500
Jordan Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	2150	1,480	1,460	1,480
Housing Bank	JD 1,000	1010	2,000	2,000	2,000
Jordan-Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	95	2,220	2,220	2,220
Petra Bank	JD 1,000	150	15,000	15,000	15,000
Jordan National Bank	JD 10,000	100	14,250	14,250	14,250
Arab Bank Co.	JD 10,000	50	107,000	107,000	107,000
Cairo Amman Bank	JD 5,000	105	13,100	13,100	13,100
Jordan Brewery Co.	JD 1,000	150	2,330	2,330	2,330
Dar Al Dawaa Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	200	3,950	3,950	3,950
Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1,000	150	3,250	3,250	3,250
Jordan General Mining Co.	JD 1,000	100	1,470	1,470	1,470
Arab Company for Aluminium Industries	JD 1,000	5000	1,250	1,250	1,250
International Construction and Investment	JD 1,000	1700	1,020	1,010	1,020
Jordan Cement Factories Co.	JD 10,000	320	19,400	19,100	19,400
Jordan Ceramic Industries Co.	JD 1,000	118	1,320	1,320	1,320
Arab Chemical Detergents Industries Co.	JD 1,000	100	2,550	2,550	2,550
Jordan Petroleum Refinery Co.	JD 5,000	845	9,800	9,750	9,750
National Steel Industry	JD 10,000	1150	19,000	18,800	19,000

Total Volume Traded on Monday, May 19, 1980:

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U.S. interest rate falls to 1

NEW YORK, May 19 (Agencies) -- Morgan Guaranty today cut its prime interest rate by half a percentage point per cent, continuing an interest rate slide as the dollar weakens.

Morgan Guaranty was soon followed by several similar moves including the First National Bank of St. Louis and the Company Bank of Atlanta.

The prime rate, the interest charged by banks on loans to best corporate customers, has fallen steadily in recent weeks under pressure from reduced demand for credit and lower funds for banks. The prime rate stood at a record 20 per cent in early April.

Today's cut in the prime rate came as the economy continued signs of a slowdown. Industrial production in housing construction fell by the sharpest monthly rate in the country during April.

The fall in U.S. interest rates from record levels has helped dollar in recent weeks. But the decision of Morgan Guaranty to drop its prime rate left the U.S. currency under pressure. The same went for Iran's decision to break away from its rial and the dollar.

Gold in London closed at \$512 an ounce compared with \$514.50 in Zurich it closed at \$514.50 compared with \$517.50.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON, May 19 (R) -- The market closed lower after session, dealers said. At 1500 the FT index was down 3.75.

Gloomy press comment following Friday's retail price dampened sentiment and dealers noted only small gains in industrial shares. However, oils continued to attract profit taking. Initial sharp losses prompted mark-downs of a penny or other sectors. There was no follow through to a slight mid-morning, and oils closed with losses stretching to 10p. Shares were generally higher while U.S. and Canadian issues narrowly mixed.

The prospect of high interest and inflation rates continuing during the coming months inhibited trading in government bonds which closed as much as 1/2 point down at the long end. Prices generally recovered from early lows after figures from last week which finished 12p higher on the day. Banks closed 5p lower as in Barclays but Australia and New Zealand Bank Group gained 5p against the trend after interim results.

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JORDAN TIMES SPORTS ROUNDUP

Japan's Shoji Oguma regains flyweight title

SEOUL, May 19 (R) — Shoji Oguma of Japan, a former world champion, last night scored a knockout victory over South Korean champion Park Chan-hee to win the World Boxing Council (WBC) flyweight title. The fight ended after 53 seconds of the ninth round of the scheduled 15-round bout at the metropolitan Chang Chung gymnasium in eastern Seoul.

Oguma, 28, who was the WBC champion in the same division five years ago, entered the ring in the underdog, but carried the fight to the South Korean from the opening bell with straight punches, hooks and uppercuts.

Park's defeat was heralded in the eighth round when he went down on his knees from a powerful combination of hooks after absorbing a few vicious straight punches to the stomach earlier in the round. Oguma, five years older than the Korean, went all out for the kill in the next round, scoring freely against Park, who was still glassy-eyed from the first knockout.

Oguma's efforts paid off soon against the defenseless champion, who was desperately trying to tie the Japanese up to avoid further punishment. But the Japanese southpaw flashed a right hook-left straight combination to the chin that sent the South Korean stumbling on his buttocks.

In the first four rounds Park was making his sixth defence since winning the title from Miguel Canto of Mexico, matched the Japanese more evenly, frequently catching Oguma with his famed hooks. Oguma staggered the South Korean in the fifth when he landed a left counterpunch to the chest of the on-rushing champion.

Park's manager, Suh Sun-jong, said Oguma was a true boxer and that he deserved the victory. Oguma said he was happy to regain the championship. "But Park was a good boxer too," he added. After Park's loss, South Korea now has only one current world title, World Boxing Association flyweight Kim Tae-shik.

Meanwhile, Spain's Roberto Castanon retained his European featherweight boxing crown here yesterday when his Italian challenger Salvatore Melluso was disqualified for hitting Castanon, defending his title for the eighth time since he competed in 1977, was clearly winning on points when the controversial decision came.

Melluso was given a first warning by the referee for hitting in the second round. With his left eye half closed since the third round, he received another warning during a hard-fought fourth round. Both men exchanged hard punches, but Castanon kept the upper hand and Melluso fell in the seventh round and was saved from a knockout by the bell. The Italian received a third warning for hitting Castanon on the nose in the ninth round and was disqualified despite protests from his corner.

Panel demotes Italian club, bans players

MILAN, May 19 (R) — The Italian sports panel to probe Italy's alleged soccer betting scandal today demoted the mighty Milan A.C. club to the Second Division and banned World Cup striker Paolo Rossi for three years. The football federation inquiry also banned for life the Milan club President Felice Colombo and first division players Enrico Albertini and Massimo Cuccinelli.

The inquiry, which heard evidence for two days, also alleged rigging of two first division matches this season, also imposed bans of up to five years on seven other star players. Milan, the 1979 champions, finished third last year but will have to compete in the Second Division next year.

Apart from President Colombo, the club's veteran international goalkeeper Enrico Albertini was also banned for life. Milan's midfielder Giorgio Morini was banned for 18 months.

The Perugia team was also hit hard by the tribunal's verdicts. Apart from losing the services of Paolo Rossi, the most valued striker in Italy, Perugia had two other key players banned for five and three years respectively. Perugia and the Avellino club, who will lose one player's services for five years, will have five points docked from their total next season.

These unprecedented disciplinary measures, announced by a federation spokesman in Milan, followed months of speculation about the level of corruption in Italian sport. The federation, with its tough enforcement, also ended the charges of two alleged Rome bookmakers that they bribed top players to fix match results. The inquiry was continued in hearings into other alleged rigged matches.

The fourth club punished today was Lazio of Rome. Lazio (10 million lire (\$1,000,000)) was also hit hard by the ruling. Lazio's captain and forward Mauro Marchi was also banned for life. Lazio's forward, Roberto Pruzzo, was also banned for life.

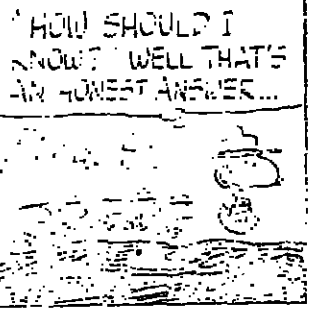
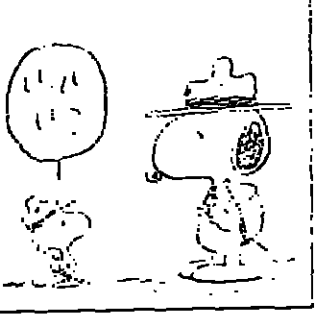
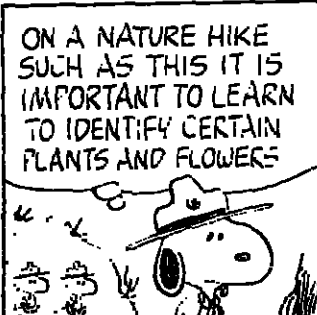
Seven other players were suspended for varying periods. Those found guilty but not banned were: Fiorentina's forward, Roberto Pruzzo, suspended for five years; Lazio's forward, Roberto Pruzzo, suspended for five years; Lazio's forward, Roberto Pruzzo, suspended for five years.

Meanwhile, security police are holding the president and a board member of the Greek football first division football club over alleged allegations of corruption and racketeering. President Constantine Petromilos, 45, and Nicholas Nikolaidis, 34, both businessmen, are alleged to have bribed a referee of Salonika's first division club Panathinaikos to fix a match in the semi-final of the Greek Soccer Cup the other day.

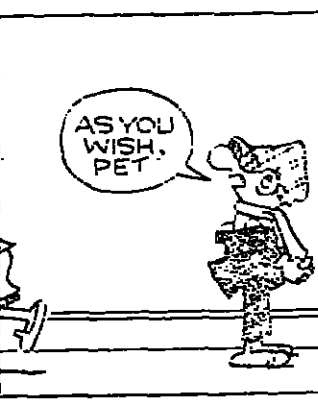
They have both denied the charges, he said. They will be referred to a public prosecutor who is expected to formulate charges and open a formal inquiry.

Trakia beat Park 1-0 in the first leg of the semi-final and the return match is scheduled for next Wednesday.

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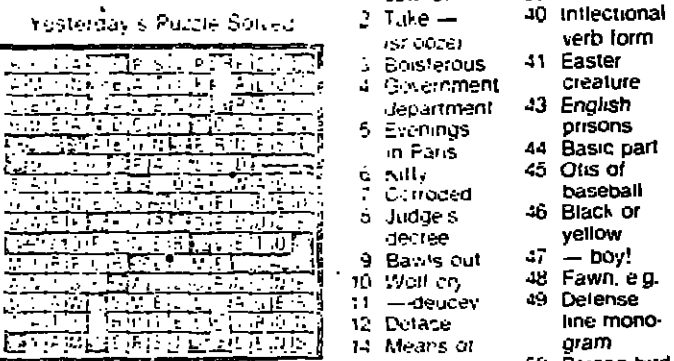


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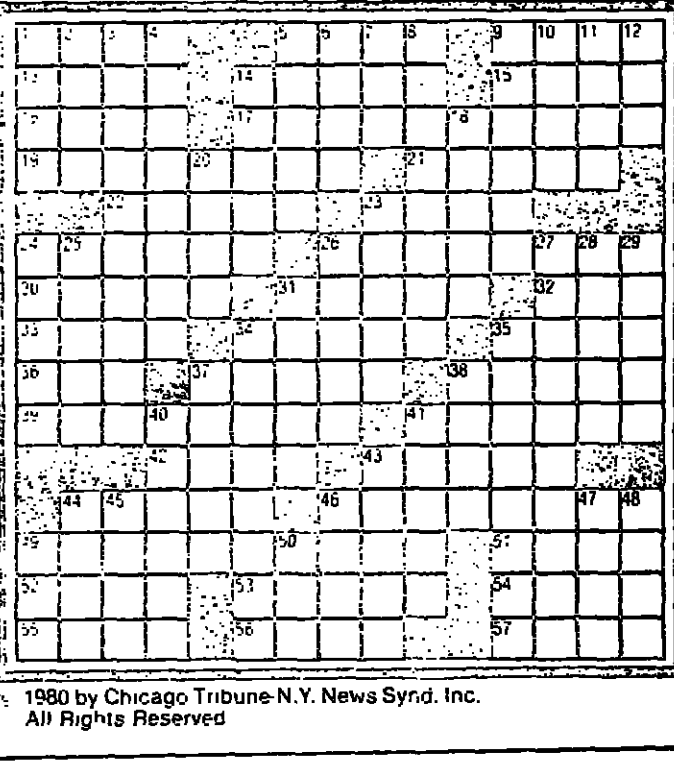


THE Daily Crossword by Ruth N. Schultz

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JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles. One letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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How DARE you!

THE BAKER WAS OBVIOUSLY THIS.

Now arrange the circled letters to form a surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: TRULY, EVENT, PRYING, ENCAMP. Answer: What that rare one-cent piece brought - A 'PRETTY PENNY'.

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Attempt to re-establish East-West dialogue Giscard, Brezhnev meet

WARSAW, May 19 (R) — President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing conferred for just under five hours with Kremlin

chief Leonid Brezhnev near Warsaw today in an attempt to re-establish serious dialogue between East and West.

The two presidents ended the meeting, the first between the Soviet leader and the head of a Western European state since the Afghan crisis blew up last December, at 2:55 p.m. (1255 GMT).

There was no immediate indication whether the Franco-Soviet summit, which was arranged by Polish leader Edward Gierek, had achieved any significant breakthrough in East-West relations.

The two leaders talked during formal sessions and over lunch at the former royal palace of Wilanow, about seven kilometres south of Warsaw. They were scheduled to return home almost immediately after the meeting.

The presidents arrived at the 17th century baroque chateau,

conceived in the style of the great chateau of Versailles, within two minutes of each other and were greeted on the steps by Mr. Gierek.

Accompanied by their foreign ministers, they took their seats shortly afterwards at a round mahogany table in the white hall of the palace.

Before starting their talks, the presidents exchanged light banter with their host.

The 73-year-old Soviet leader, defying those who maintained his health was no longer up to intensive activity by making his third trip abroad in less than two weeks, joked about the weather and the Soviet grain harvest.

There has been speculation in the West, where the Franco-

Soviet summit has drawn veiled criticism, that it had been called by Mr. Brezhnev.

But both Polish and French officials insisted that the meeting was devised and organised by Mr. Gierek, who had used Poland's good relations with Moscow and Paris.

Mr. Brezhnev, who has been trying to reduce criticism of the Soviet role in Afghanistan and the impact of a U.S.-sponsored boycott of the Moscow Olympic Games, seemed to have gained a significant success by meeting the French president in the heart of the Eastern bloc.

A major Soviet criticism has been the December decision by NATO to site new American missiles in Western Europe capable of reaching the Soviet Union.

In the Kremlin view, that decision was the main cause of current tension, while the West dates it from the Soviet military incursion into Afghanistan later the same month.

France, which withdrew from NATO's integrated command structure under the late President Charles de Gaulle, had no part in the alliance's decision and the French Olympic Committee voted on May 13 to attend the Moscow games, underlining France's independence from Washington, which originally called for a boycott in protest at Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Moscow has made it clear that lines of communication are open with all leaders, and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt is considering a visit to the Soviet capital.

The Giscard-Brezhnev meeting comes, however, at a time when Bonn has angered Moscow with its support for the new missile programme and its Olympic committee's decision to boycott the games.

China's long-range rocket test 'complete success'

PEKING, May 19 (R) — China yesterday successfully fired an intercontinental-range rocket into the central Pacific Ocean, boosting its space research programme and adding significantly to its strategic missile capability.

A brief announcement by the New China News Agency said: "China achieved complete success this morning in launching its first carrier rocket to the designated area in the Pacific Ocean."

Diplomatic sources said the success of the test demonstrated that China had the capacity to hit targets in Europe and America

with its strategic missile force.

In Canberra, Australian Defence Minister Jim Killen said two Australian naval vessels had watched the rocket's re-entry into the upper atmosphere but not the splashdown. He said the training ships Jervis Bay and Vampire were part of a large number of ships, including 18 Chinese vessels, that monitored the final phase of the test.

Australian officials said the splashdown occurred at 0230 GMT yesterday about 750 nautical miles north-northwest of Fiji. The Chinese statement gave no details of the launching site in mainland China or the type of rocket tested.

China announced on May 9 that it would fire a test rocket into the Pacific between May 12 and June 10. This brought quick protests from Japan, Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Fiji. The statement did not indicate whether yesterday's test was likely to be followed by another before the June 10 cutoff date.

China started its rocket development programme in 1958 and placed its first satellite in orbit in 1970. Since then there have been at least seven other satellite launchings.

The last known rocket test within China was on Feb. 9. Diplomatic sources said the launching was from a site in Jilin province in northeast China, with the rocket landing in the far western Xinjiang region, a distance of just over 4,000 kilometres.

A full-scale test of a rocket with intercontinental capability requires an ocean area re-entry.

Quebec referendum will show whether province wants to become independent

MONTREAL, May 19 (R) — Quebec votes tomorrow in a referendum which will show whether its six million people want to remain part of Canada or become an independent country.

A heavy turnout among the 4.3 million voters is expected for the referendum, in which Quebec Premier René Lévesque will seek a mandate to negotiate a form of independence he calls "sovereignty-association."

This would make Quebec a politically independent country but with close economic links with Canada and the same currency.

An opinion poll last week put the opposing "Federalists," who want Quebec to remain part of the Canadian confederation, well ahead of Mr. Lévesque.

A total of 49 per cent of those polled would vote against a mandate for Mr. Lévesque, 37 per cent would vote "yes" and 14 per cent were undecided. But the high proportion of undecided voters makes the outcome difficult to

predict.

The campaign has caused deep divisions in Quebec, Canada's second biggest province and the only one where descendants of French settlers are in a majority, comprising about 80 per cent of the population.

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, a Quebecer whose popularity ranks with or even outstrips Mr. Lévesque's, has campaigned for a "no" vote, proclaiming in three major speeches that a "yes" mandate would lead to an impasse because his government and those of the other provinces would not negotiate "sovereignty-association" with Quebec.

He has promised immediate action towards talks on constitutional reform, in which Quebec and some other provinces would seek more autonomy, if there is a "no" vote.

Neither side was planning any more major rallies today, a public holiday celebrated in Quebec in honour of a local figure and the rest of Canada in honour of the birthday of Queen Victoria.



René Lévesque

South Korean troops, demonstrators clash

SEOUL, May 19 (R) — A child was killed and at least 40 people were seriously injured today when South Korean paratroopers clashed with about 3,000 people demonstrating against martial law, eyewitnesses said.

Eyewitnesses to the fighting in the south-western town of Kwangju said troops from the elite special forces had advanced with fixed bayonets against stone-throwing demonstrators, some of whom were armed with sharpened bamboo stakes, as riot police fired tear-gas. The child died after being run over by an armoured personnel carrier, they said.

Soldiers hunted students in door-to-door searches, stripped them of their underwear in the street and led them off at gunpoint. The eyewitnesses added that those that struggled were knocked to the ground and beaten and kicked. They said about 500 students and community leaders had been arrested, but there was no official confirmation of the figure.

The students seized a radio station and laid a barricade of flaming oil in front of the entrance to stop the troops from approaching.

Kwangju is in the home province of Mr. Kim Dae-jung, a leading dissident and presidential candidate who was among the first to be arrested when total martial law went into effect at midnight on Saturday. Many of the demonstrators today called for his release.

In the capital, which has been turned into a fortress by about 40,000 troops backed by armoured vehicles, some 300 students tried to stage a demonstration today but were immediately dispersed by riot police.

Dissident sources said more than 50 anti-government politicians and civil rights activists had been arrested, and the martial law authorities were searching for about 300 more who had gone into hiding.

President Choi Kyu-han, in his first statement since martial law was extended to the whole of South Korea, yesterday said that disturbances by students and workers played into the hands of communist North Korea which was bent on taking the South by force.

But he pledged there would be no change in the government's plans for the country's political development after the murder last October of strongman president Park Chung-hee. Presidential and general elections have been promised for the first half of 1981.

Iranian ordered held without bail following London hotel bomb blast

LONDON, May 19 (AP) — An Iranian electronics technician appeared briefly in a heavily guarded London court today following a hotel bedroom bomb blast over the weekend in which one Iranian died and another was seriously injured.

Armed policemen guarded the courtroom as Tehran-born Mr. Ebadollah Nooripour, 20, made a 30-second appearance on charges of conspiring to cause explosions. Bail was refused and Mr. Nooripour was ordered held until Thursday, when he is due to reappear in court. He did not have to enter a plea.

The blast destroyed a fourth-floor hotel bedroom being used to manufacture bombs when one device exploded prematurely. The new Iran-based guerrilla activity in London came 12 days

after British commandos ended a six-day siege at the Iranian embassy here. The building and 26 hostages were seized by six Iranian Arabs.

A Scotland Yard spokesman told the Associated Press today that it was not yet established whether there was any link between the embassy gunmen and the Iranian bomb-makers.

Police said earlier they seized Mr. Nooripour in the lobby of Queen's Garden hotel, in the cosmopolitan Bayswater district, as he was desperately trying to make a telephone call soon after the blast.

The man killed was middle-aged and identified by police as Mr. Mostaghim Hossein. The third man is in a hospital intensive care unit, and has not yet been questioned.

West European embassies in Tehran swamped with applications for visas

TEHRAN, May 19 (R) — Long queues formed outside several Western European embassies this weekend as Iranians rushed to apply for visas following their reintroduction by all European Common Market countries.

Italy, the last EEC member to impose a visa requirement, said it was resuming visa regulations from today.

The EEC countries have all now imposed the restriction, partly aimed as a protest against the continued holding of 53 American hostages in Iran. But there has been wide disunity over the way the measure has been applied.

West Germany decided not to issue any visas in Tehran but to advise Iranians that they must take the risk of being admitted or turned away when they arrive at border posts, diplomats said.

They said the West German embassy had adopted this line after seeing the flood of inquiries to the French embassy, which was the first to reintroduce the visa requirement.

"We don't have the staff to cope, so we're advising people to take pot luck when they get there," a West German consular official said.

The queues outside the French embassy stretch 100 metres on most days. Officials said they had been overwhelmed by applications which are taking more than two weeks to process.

Embassies of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg said they were referring each visa application to their foreign ministry, a procedure which diplomats say is rare for applications from non-communist countries.

A Dutch official said there had been long lines of applicants when the requirement was restored 11 days ago but they had begun to tail off.

A British embassy spokesman said consular officials were at full stretch coping with queues of applicants. Immigration officials at British ports of entry would determine how long Iranians, issued with open-ended visas in

Miami area race riots leave at least 15 dead, 200 injured

MIAMI, May 19 (R) — Miami hoped its adult residents would go back to work today and leave city streets clear after a weekend of race rioting in which at least 15 people died and 200 were injured. Most of Miami and surrounding Dade county were quiet under an overnight curfew, when police and national guard troops patrolled the streets.

Scattered reports of snipers, prowlers and arsonists were received by police.

The violence began on Saturday

following the announcement that an all-white jury in Tampa, Florida had acquitted four white ex-policemen of beating to death a black Miami businessman.

A weekend of terror saw about 200 people injured and 400 arrested. The dead included both blacks and whites.

Police said they hoped weekday jobs would take people off the streets and halt the violence. "We're hoping adults will tend to go back to work," said a Dade county police spokesman. "This is

a work day for a lot of who were involved in stages."

Public schools, today and public to some areas was halted. Police declined to give value of property losses caused by fires which of control because of fire brigades at bay.

The Tampa jury had four white Miami-area deputies who had shot the death last week Arthur McDuffie, a black executive. The jury dismissed from duty charges were filed against Mr. McDuffie to a batons and flashlights, making it appear that they were received in a traffic accident.

Because of strong looting about the case, the trial moved from Miami to Tampa. After the verdict, more than 100 blacks converged on a police building, smashing windows and glass doors.

Most of the violence was aimed at businesses by blacks and at police buildings, police said.

Fires were set at one post office. Cars were set on fire and set ablaze.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation said last night it filed federal charges against four men, accusing the late Mr. McDuffie's death.

Mr. McDuffie's death also disrupted the Tampa went on television last appeal for a halt to the Miami.

South Africa controversial on press report.

CAPE TOWN, May 19 (R) — South African government dropped the most current planned new curbs on reporting of police actions and referred the government commission.

There was an outcry in press and opposition following the introduction in parliament which was banned unauthorised publication of such information, details of people arrested and detained in connection with alleged guerrilla activities.

The opposition came bill with the laws of Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union.

A statement said it would be referred to a commission studying security laws.

Italy decides against official Moscow games participation

ROME, May 19 (R) — The Italian government today decided that Italy would not participate officially in the Moscow Olympic Games because of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, cabinet ministers said.

But the government left Italy's National Olympic Committee (CONI) free to decide on its own attitude to the games, the ministers told reporters on leaving a cabinet meeting.

Today's decision means that the Italian flag will not be used in any ceremony and the Italian national anthem will not be played, the ministers said. Italian athletes taking part would do so in their capacity.

CONI, which has said it wants Italian athletes to take part in the games, tomorrow to make its decision. But there was some whether the body would be prepared to ignore the government action.

Budget Minister Gian Maria told reporters: "The political decision of the government. It is clear if organisation which also in the interests of the should conform."

Nepal: The 'political pause' is over

By Gene Kramer

NEW DELHI — A year of political truce is ending in Nepal and young King Birendra's position on the throne could become difficult.

One year ago, the 34-year-old monarch deftly defused a spreading student and peasant revolt with a surprise proclamation of a national plebiscite to select the mountain kingdom's future system of representation. He may soon be put to the test again.

Preparations for the nationwide popular ballot, Nepal's first, required 11 months. The voting was May 2 and the official results announced last week gave a 55 per cent mandate to perpetuation of the "Panchayat" system of non-partisan councils, ranging from village elders up to the national assembly.

Several leaders campaigning for the opposite choice on the ballot, legalisation of political parties, charged that the vote was rigged for the status quo through use of government money and manpower. Some hinted at a return to the agitation of early 1979.

The voting ended Nepal's political pause. The king and his advisers

now face the same issue they were grappling with a year ago: how much freedom and change can and should their poor, 80 per cent illiterate country have?

First to be decided is how much to retain of the limited free speech and press permitted during the plebiscite campaign. Prime Minister Surya Bahadur Thapa had said before the vote that press freedom would remain.

Mr. Thapa last week denied the rigging charges and asked all 14 million citizens of the landlocked, mountainous, nearly roadless country to "join in the national mainstream."

Major issue

A major issue before the king is amendment of the constitution. He promised last December that election of the Supreme Panchayat, or national assembly, would in the future be by popular vote instead of indirect election by the lower councils. He said future governments would be responsible to the assembly instead of the crown, meaning less-than-absolute monarchy.

Because of the short snow-free season, election of the new assembly is not expected for nearly a year.

Whether the campaign is orderly or turbulent can depend on relations between the king and

the political party leaders. They range from middle-of-the-road to communist and most intend to remain active, with or without their party labels.

Former prime minister B.P. Koirala, head of the banned Nepali Congress Party and perhaps Nepal's most popular politician, has been pushing for a constitutional monarchy and supports the king as an enlightened ruler who is able to learn a lesson from the fall of the Shah of Iran.

Also favourable to the king is his image as the main national institution in a country that is barely developed, with demonstrated good intentions for bringing Nepal into the 20th century in orderly fashion.

King Birendra attended Eton College, England, from 1959 through 1964. He later spent several months at the University of Tokyo followed by a year at Harvard University, studying economics-public administration and politics.

Popular following

He has had a popular following ever since childhood. In 1950, when he was five years old, his grandfather, the late King Tribhuvan, and father, the late King Mahendra, with support from the Nepalese people and from India, overthrew the Rana family that

had controlled the country century.

Soon after his coronation in 1975, King Birendra defied primary education and text free. He has preached national development and voiced a social responsibility for alleviating hunger and suffering in a country which in 1970 had a per capita income equivalent to only \$1 year.

As in Iran, there have been accusations of corruption on part of royal relatives and business. Former prime minister Tulsī Giri, a strong supporter of the king, says King Birendra agreed to investigations and tried to curb his kin.

Despite his foreign education the young king has shown sensitivity to Nepalese national feelings, wearing only native dress when he ventures outside palace in Kathmandu. He has been interviewed by the press because, an aide said, it could be misinterpreted by subjects.

In his frequent public appearances he invokes blessings of the god, Hinduism, which is the state religion in Nepal. King Birendra's Queen Aishwarya, whom he married in 1970, have three children: Crown Prince Dipendra, Princess Shruti, and Princess Nirajana, one.

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